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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (hereafter "Patent Office") on November 9, 2007, please consider the accompanying remarks along with a petition for an extension of time for one month up to and including March 10, 2008¹ and the required fee being filed concurrently herewith.

It is believed that no additional fees are required for this submission. However, should the Patent Office determine that additional fees are owed or that any refund is owed for this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge the required fee(s) and/or credit the refund(s) owed to our Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this paper.

¹ The extended date for responding to the Office Action is March 9, 2008, which falls on a Sunday. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, this response is submitted on the next business day, *i.e.*, March 10, 2008.